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MR. CHAIRMAN, MRS. BARK AND GENTLEMEN,

I HAVE THE PLEASURE TO PRESENT MY ANNUAL REPORT ON THE HEALTH OF YOUR DISTRICT.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA.

AREA (IN ACRES).....	63,717.
POPULATION CENSUS, 1921.....	23,196.
" " 1931.....	23,544.
ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION 1948..	25,400.
" " " 1949..	25,760.
NUMBER OF INHABITED HOUSES.....	7,448.
RATEABLE VALUE.....	£100,216.
SUM REPRESENTED BY A PENNY RATE.....	£374.

SOCIAL CONDITIONS.

THE POPULATION IS PARTLY INDUSTRIAL AND PARTLY AGRARIAN, THE MAIN INDUSTRIES BEING COAL MINING, GRANITE QUARRYING AND, TO A SMALL EXTENT, HOSIERY MANUFACTURE. THESE ARE ALL SITUATED IN THE NORTH OF THE DISTRICT.

VITAL STATISTICS.

BIRTHS, LEGITIMATE.	M.240.	F.223.	TOTAL.	463.
BIRTHS, ILLEGITIMATE.	M. 5.	F. 7.	TOTAL.	12.
	<u>M.245.</u>	<u>F.230.</u>	<u>TOTAL.</u>	<u>475.</u>

STILLBIRTHS.	7 LEGITIMATE.	0 ILLEGITIMATE.	TOTAL.	7.
BIRTH RATE.....				18.4
" " FOR ENGLAND AND WALES.....				16.7.
DEATHS. M. 126. F. 121. TOTAL.....				247.
CRUDE DEATH RATE.....				9.5.
DEATH RATE FOR ENGLAND & WALES.....				11.7.
DEATHS FROM PUERPERAL SEPSIS.....				0.
OTHER PUERPERAL CAUSES.....				0.
DEATHS OF INFANTS UNDER 1 YEAR OF AGE:-				
LEGITIMATE....13.	ILLEGITIMATE..1.	TOTAL.		14.
INFANT MORTALITY RATE PER 1,000 BIRTHS....				29.4.
" " " FOR ENGLAND & WALES.				32.
DEATHS FROM CANCER (ALL AGES).....				43.

VITAL STATISTICS (CONT)

DEATHS FROM MEASLES. (ALL AGES).....	0.
" " WHOOPING COUGH (ALL AGES).....	1.
" " DIARRHOEA (UNDER 2 YEARS).....	1.

CAUSES OF DEATH. (CIVILIANS ONLY)

<u>CAUSES OF DEATH.</u>	<u>MALES.</u>	<u>FEMALES.</u>
ALL CAUSES.....	126.	121.
SCARLET FEVER.....	0.	0.
MEASLES.....	0.	0.
WHOOPING COUGH.....	1.	0.
DIPHTHERIA.....	0.	0.
INFLUENZA.....	0.	1.
POLIOMYELITIS.	1.	0.
ENCEPHALITIS LETHARGICA.....	0.	0.
CEREBRO SPINAL FEVER.....	0.	0.
RESPIRATORY TUBERCULOSIS.....	5.	6.
OTHER TUBERCULOSIS.....	1.	0.
SYPHILIS.....	0.	0.
CANCER, MALIGNANT DISEASE.....	24.	19.
DIABETES.....	1.	3.
INTRA CRANIAL VASCULAR LESIONS.....	10.	18.
HEART DISEASE.....	35.	37.
OTHER CIRCULATORY DISEASES.....	5.	5.
BRONCHITIS.....	10.	9.
PNEUMONIA. (ALL FORMS).....	2.	1.
OTHER RESPIRATORY DISEASES.....	3.	1.
ULCER OF STOMACH OR DUODENUM.....	2.	0.
DIARRHOEA (UNDER 2 YEARS).....	0.	1.
APPENDICITIS AND TYPHLITIS.....	1.	1.
OTHER DIGESTIVE DISEASES.....	4.	3.
ACUTE AND CHRONIC NEPHRITIS.....	2.	2.
CONGENITAL CAUSES.....	5.	3.
PUERPERAL SEPSIS.....	0.	0.
OTHER MATERNAL CAUSES.....	0.	0.
PREMATURE BIRTHS.....	3.	1.
SUICIDE.....	2.	0.
ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS.....	0.	1.
OTHER DEATHS FROM VIOLENCE.....	1.	0.
ALL OTHER CAUSES.....	8.	9.

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA.

HOSPITALS PROVIDED BY NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE:-

A.1. FEVER.

THE ISOLATION HOSPITALS ARE CONTROLLED BY THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY THE NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE. PATIENTS ARE SENT TO SUCH HOSPITALS AS HAVE BEDS AVAILABLE FOR THE DISEASE FROM WHICH THEY ARE SUFFERING. THE PRINCIPAL HOSPITAL IS SITUATED IN THIS DISTRICT.

2. SMALL POX.

THERE ARE TWO HOSPITALS PROVIDED FOR THE COUNTY AS A WHOLE.

B.1.)

2.) TUBERCULOSIS, MATERNITY AND CHILDREN'S HOSPITALS.

ACCOMMODATION IS CONTROLLED BY THE NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE AND THE MATTER IS DEALT WITH COMPREHENSIVELY IN THE COUNTY REPORT.

THE COUNTY SANATORIUM IS SITUATED AT MARKFIELD IN THIS DISTRICT.

AMBULANCE FACILITIES.

(A) FOR INFECTIOUS CASES.

AMBULANCE FACILITIES ARE PROVIDED BY THE NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE.

(B) FOR NON-INFECTIOUS CASES AND ACCIDENTS.

BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL AMBULANCE SERVICE, AN AMBULANCE IS STATIONED AT MARKET BOSWORTH. THE "WOLLASTON" AMBULANCE HAS BEEN TAKEN OVER BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

CLINICS AND TREATMENT CENTRES.

ALL UNDER THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY.

THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH IS A PART TIME OFFICIAL BUT DOES NOT ENGAGE IN PRIVATE PRACTICE.

THE CHIEF SANITARY INSPECTOR, WHO IS ALSO SANITARY SURVEYOR, AND THE TWO ASSISTANT SANITARY INSPECTORS DEVOTE THE WHOLE OF THEIR TIME TO THEIR OFFICIAL DUTIES.

PROFESSIONAL NURSING IN THE HOME.

THE COUNTY COUNCIL'S HEALTH VISITORS VISIT CASES IN THIS DISTRICT. THERE ARE DISTRICT NURSES IN ALL THE LARGER PARISHES.

MIDWIVES.

THE SUPERVISION OF MIDWIVES IS VESTED IN THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

CHEMICAL WORK.

ANALYSES OF FOODS AND DRUGS ARE CONDUCTED BY THE COUNTY ANALYST.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

1. WATER SUPPLY.

(1) A. THE PIPED WATER SUPPLIES FOR THE DISTRICT HAVE BEEN SATISFACTORY IN QUALITY, BUT THE QUALITY OF THE WELL SUPPLIES HAS BEEN MOSTLY UNSATISFACTORY.

B. THE PIPED SUPPLIES WERE GENERALLY SUFFICIENT IN QUANTITY. SHORTAGES DID OCCUR AND A LIMITED SUPPLY HAD TO BE ENFORCED ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS. IN SOME FEW INSTANCES SHORTAGES WERE REPORTED IN WELL WATER SUPPLIES BUT ON VISITATIONS OWNERS OF NEIGHBOURING SUPPLIES WERE PERSUADED TO SHARE THE LIMITED SUPPLY. IT WAS NOT NECESSARY TO CART ANY WATER IN BULK. NO SERIOUS SHORTAGE IN ANY PARISH.

(2) PIPED SUPPLIES - RESULTS OF SAMPLES TAKEN FOR ANALYSIS:-

RAW WATER.				TREATED WATER GOING INTO SUPPLY.			
BACTERIOLOGICAL.		CHEMICAL.		BACTERIOLOGICAL.		CHEMICAL.	
SATIS-FACTORY.	UNSATIS-FACTORY.	SATIS-FACTORY.	UNSATIS-FACTORY.	SATIS-FACTORY.	UNSATIS-FACTORY.	SATIS-FACTORY.	UNSATIS-FACTORY.
--	--	--	3.	--	--	--	--

INVESTIGATION IS STILL PROCEEDING WITH REGARD TO THE ABOVE,

(3) WATERS LIABLE TO HAVE PLUMBO-SOLVENT ACTION:-

NO ACTION HAS BEEN TAKEN.

(4) WATER SUPPLIES FROM PUBLIC MAINS:-

DIRECT TO THE HOUSES.		BY MEANS OF STANDPIPES.	
NO. OF DWELLING HOUSES.	POPULATION.	NO. OF DWELLING HOUSES.	POPULATION.
4,419.	17,182.	184.	725.

NO. OF PARISHES WITH PIPED WATER SUPPLY:-

(A) FROM PUBLIC MAINS:- 15. (B) FROM PRIVATE RESERVOIRS:- NIL.

NO. OF PARISHES WITHOUT A PIPED SUPPLY OF WATER:- 5.

PARTICULARS OF EXTENSION OF PUBLIC WATER SUPPLIES:-

EXTENSIONS TO NEW HOUSING SITES AT DESFORD, IBSTOCK AND BARLESTONE. EXTENSION OF MAIN SUPPLY TO CARLTON VILLAGE.


NO. OF CASES IN WHICH PIPED SUPPLY WAS SUBSTITUTED FOR WELL WATER:- 178.

WATER SUPPLIES FROM WELLS:-

No. OF SAMPLES TAKEN FOR ANALYSIS.			
SATISFACTORY.		UNSATISFACTORY.	
CHEMICAL.	BACTERIOLOGICAL.	CHEMICAL.	BACTERIOLOGICAL.
3.	NIL.	16.	NIL.

NO. OF WELLS CLOSED:- 2. NO. OF WELLS CLEANSED ETC., 19.

NO. OF HOUSES RELYING ON WELL SUPPLIES:- 2,837.



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POSTWAR PROPOSALS.

PROGRESS DURING THE YEAR ON ALL POSTWAR SCHEMES:-

THE BARLESTONE AND DISTRICT WATER SCHEME COMPLETED AND CONSUMERS BEING CONNECTED.

CARLTON VILLAGE SCHEME COMPLETED AND CONSUMERS ALSO BEING CONNECTED.

IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE AGRICULTURAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, PROPOSALS ARE BEING FORMULATED TO PROVIDE WATER TO THE VILLAGES OF ORTON ON THE HILL, NORTON JUXTA TWYCCROSS, SHEEPY MAGNA AND PARVA, SUTTON CHENEY, KIRKBY MALLORY AND TO THE FARMS EN ROUTE.

2. SEWAGE DISPOSAL.

NO. OF CESSPOOLS CONSTRUCTED DURING THE YEAR.....14.

NO. OF CESSPOOLS ABOLISHED DURING THE YEAR.....18.

TOTAL NO. IN DISTRICT ON 31ST. DEC. 1949.....305.

EXTENSIONS TO SEWERS, NEW WORKS AND IMPROVEMENTS DURING YEAR:-

SHORT EXTENSION TO NEW HOUSING SITES.

NO. OF PARISHES WITH EFFICIENT SEWAGE DISPOSAL WORKS....9.

NO. OF PARISHES WHERE NEW SCHEMES HAVE BEEN FORMULATED..6.

POSTWAR PROPOSALS.

PROGRESS TO DATE OF POSTWAR SCHEMES OF SEWERAGE AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL:-

HIGHAM ON THE HILL. THE PIPE LINES ARE ALMOST COMPLETED AND WORK IS PROCEEDING ON THE SEWAGE WORKS.

NEWBOLD VERDON. THE PIPE LINES ARE ALMOST COMPLETED AND WORK IS PROCEEDING ON THE SEWAGE WORKS.

STAPLETON. DEFERRED FOR SIX MONTHS.

"FLYING HORSE" AREA, MARKFIELD. PROPOSALS HAVE BEEN SENT TO THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH.

THORNTON. PROPOSALS HAVE BEEN SENT TO THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH.

TWYCCROSS. PROPOSALS HAVE BEEN SENT TO THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH.

NAILSTONE. PROPOSALS SUBMITTED TO THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH.

BATTRAM & ELLISTOWN. PROPOSALS SUBMITTED TO THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH.

3. CLOSET ACCOMMODATION.

TOTAL NO. IN DISTRICT ON 31ST. DECEMBER 1949:-

(1) PRIVIES:- 1. (2) PAIL CLOSETS:- 2,223. (3) W.C.'s:- 4,735.

NO. OF CLOSETS CONVERTED TO THE WATER CARRIAGE SYSTEM DURING THE YEAR:-

(A) PRIVIES:- NIL. (B) PAILS:- 681.

NO. OF PRIVIES (MIDDENS) CONVERTED TO PAIL CLOSETS DURING THE YEAR:- NIL.

MEANS FOR THE CLEANSING OF EARTH CLOSETS, PRIVIES, ASHPITS AND CESSPOOLS:-

THE CLEANSING OF EARTH CLOSETS AND PRIVIES IS NOT UNDERTAKEN BY THE R.D.C. CESSPOOLS ARE ONLY EMPTIED ON AN UNDERTAKING BEING GIVEN BY THE OCCUPIER TO PAY THE COST OF SUCH WORK. ASHPITS ARE EMPTIED AS NECESSARY (THESE ARE THE ASHPITS AT BAGWORTH AND THE NATIONAL COAL BOARD HAVE BEEN

UNABLE TO SUPPLY BINS IN LIEU OF THESE ASHPITS OWING TO THE SHORTAGE OF SUITABLE, HEAVY-TYPE BINS, BUT HOPE TO DO SO IN THE NEAR FUTURE. THIS WILL THEN CLEAR THE DISTRICT OF ASHPITS.)
CLEANSING OF PAN CLOSETS IS CARRIED OUT BY DIRECT LABOUR.

4. PUBLIC CLEANSING.

HOUSE REFUSE IS REMOVED BY DIRECT LABOUR.

NO. AND TYPE OF VEHICLES EMPLOYED:- 4 REFUSE COLLECTORS.
(2 "KARRIER BANTAMS" AND 2 DENNIS REFUSE VEHICLES)

FREQUENCY OF COLLECTION:- WEEKLY.

NO. OF PARISHES COVERED BY ROUTINE COLLECTION:- 20 (WHOLE DISTRICT)

DISPOSAL OF HOUSE REFUSE.

NO. OF CONTROLLED TIPS..... 2.

NO. OF CRUDE TIPS..... 5.

INCINERATION..... NIL.

5. SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA.

TOTAL NO. OF COMPLAINTS RECEIVED..... 163.

TOTAL NO. OF DEFECTS OR NUISANCES DISCOVERED.... 129.

6. INSPECTIONS MADE.

	FIRST INSPECTIONS.	RE-VISITS.
ANIMAL KEEPING.	27.	9.
BAKEHOUSES.	11.	5.
DAIRIES AND COWSHEDS.	226.	91.
DRAINAGE WORKS. (IN CONNECTION WITH CONVERSIONS)	209.) 296.)	125.) 608.)
DWELLING HOUSES (ALL PURPOSES) (IN CONNECTION WITH CONVERSIONS)	1,531.) 427.)	607.) 1,834.)
FOOD PREMISES.	44.	27.
OFFENSIVE TRADES.	-	-
RATS AND MICE DESTRUCTION.	132.	95.
REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL.	61.	27.
SCHOOLS.	13.	10.
SHOPS.	31.	14.
SLAUGHTER HOUSES & MEAT INSPECTION.	173.	31.
TENTS, VANS, SHEDS ETC.,	27.	9.
VERMINOUS PREMISES & SCABIES.	11.	7.
WATER SUPPLIES.	269.	123.
FACTORIES.	17.	11.
OTHER INSPECTIONS.	346.	91.
IN CONNECTION WITH PAIL CLOSET SURVEY.	2,230.	-
TOTAL.	6,081.	3,724.

NOTICES.

PRELIMINARY.	HOUSING.	PUBLIC HEALTH.
OUTSTANDING ON 1ST. JANUARY.	-	18.
ISSUED DURING YEAR.	-	293.
COMPLIED WITH DURING YEAR.	-	295.
STATUTORY ACTION NECESSARY.	-	5.
OUTSTANDING 31ST. DECEMBER.	-	16.

STATUTORY.	HOUSING.	PUBLIC HEALTH.
OUTSTANDING ON 1ST. JANUARY.	-	6.
ISSUED DURING YEAR.	1.	5.
COMPLIED WITH DURING YEAR.	1.	10.
OUTSTANDING 31ST. DECEMBER.	-	1.

SUMMARY ACTION.

NO. OF SUMMONSES ISSUED.	NO. OF CONVICTIONS OBTAINED.
NIL.	NIL.

7. SHOPS.

PARTICULARS OF ANY ACTION TAKEN DURING YEAR UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE SHOPS ACT 1934:-

	OUTSTANDING FROM PREVIOUS YEAR.	DEFECTS FOUND.	DEFECTS REMEDIED.	OUTSTANDING 31ST. DEC.
SANITARY CONVENIENCES.	1.	4.	5.	NIL.
TEMPERATURE.	-	-	-	-
VENTILATION.	-	-	-	-

8. CAMPING SITES.

NO. OF SITES IN AREA USED FOR CAMPING PURPOSES DURING YEAR:- NIL.
 NO. OF CAMPING SITES FOR WHICH LICENCES HAVE BEEN ISSUED:- NIL.
 ESTIMATED MAXIMUM NUMBER OF CAMPERS RESIDENT IN AREA DURING SUMMER SEASON:- NIL.

9. REGULATED BUILDINGS.

REGULATED BUILDINGS.	NO. IN DISTRICT.	NO. OF INSPECTIONS.	ACTION TAKEN.	GENERAL CONDITIONS.
COMMON LODGING HOUSES.	NIL.	-	-	-
TENTS, VANS, SHEDS ETC.,	24.	36.	-	FAIR.
CANAL BOATS.	NIL.	-	-	-
OFFENSIVE TRADES.	NIL.	-	-	-

10. ERADICATION OF BED BUGS.

PARTICULARS OF ACTION TAKEN:-

No. OF COUNCIL HOUSES INFESTED..... 2.
 No. OF OTHER DWELLING HOUSES FOUND INFESTED..... 4.
 No. OF HOUSES DISINFESTED..... 6.

METHODS EMPLOYED FOR DISINFESTATION:- USE OF D.D.T. BY GENERATORS AND SUBSEQUENT SPRAYING LIQUID D.D.T.

CARRIED OUT BY LOCAL AUTHORITY.....6. CARRIED OUT BY CONTRACTOR:- NIL.

NAME OF FUMIGANT AND/OR INSECTICIDE USED:- D.D.T,

METHODS EMPLOYED FOR ENSURING THE TENANTS' BELONGINGS ARE FREE FROM VERMIN BEFORE REMOVAL TO COUNCIL HOUSES:-

THE HOUSING MANAGER EXAMINES ALL GOODS AND CHATTELS BEFORE TENANTS TAKE POSSESSION OF NEW HOUSES.

MEASURES TAKEN FOR THE SUPERVISION OR EDUCATION OF TENANTS TO PREVENT INFESTATION OR RE-INFESTATION:- PERIODIC INSPECTIONS.

11. RATS AND MICE DESTRUCTION.

PARTICULARS OF ACTION TAKEN:-

ALL REFUSE TIPS TREATED BY R.D.C. REGULAR BAITING CARRIED OUT TO SEWERS AND SEWAGE WORKS. TREATMENT TO PRIVATE HOUSEHOLDERS GIVEN FREE. TREATMENT TO BUSINESS PREMISES IS CHARGEABLE TO THE OCCUPIER.

12. SCHOOLS.

No. OF SCHOOLS DISINFECTED..... NIL.

PARTICULARS OF OTHER ACTION TAKEN IN CONNECTION WITH SCHOOLS:-

THORNTON COUNTY JUNIOR SCHOOL TREATED FOR RAT INFESTATION.

13. SWIMMING BATHS AND POOLS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

No. IN AREA:-

(A) PUBLICLY OWNED..NIL. (B) PRIVATELY OWNED..... 3.

No. OF INSPECTIONS.....5.

14. INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD. MILK SUPPLY.

COWKEEPERS. (To 30TH. SEPT. 1949)

No. ON REGISTER.	No. OF INSPECTIONS.	No. OF CONTRAVENTIONS.			
		OUTSTANDING FROM PREVIOUS YEAR.	FOUND DURING YEAR.	REMEDIED DURING YEAR.	OUTSTANDING ON 30TH. SEPTEMBER.
393.	237.	6.	16.	21.	1.
<u>DAIRYMEN OR PURVEYORS OF MILK. (OTHER THAN COWKEEPERS. (TO 30TH. SEPT. 1949)</u>					
149.	43.	-	4.	4.	-

TOTAL CONTRAVENTIONS.

	OUTSTANDING FROM PREVIOUS YEAR.	FOUND DURING YEAR.	REMEDIED DURING YEAR.	OUTSTANDING ON 30TH. SEPTEMBER.
CLEANSING.	2.	4.	5.	1.
STRUCTURAL ALTERATIONS.	2.	11.	9.	4.
UTENSILS.	2.	5.	7.	-
OTHER.	-	2.	2.	-

MILK SAMPLING. (TO 30TH. SEPT. 1949)

CLASS.	NO. OF SAMPLES TAKEN FOR BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION.	SATIS- FACTORY.	UNSATIS- FACTORY.
"TUBERCULIN TESTED") DESIGNATED. "ACCREDITED" "PASTEURISED"	L.C.C.		
ORDINARY.	20.	17.	3.
STERILISED.	-	-	-
HEAT TREATED.	-	-	-

THE MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATIONS) REGULATIONS 1936 TO 1946.
(TO 30TH. SEPT. 1949)

NO. OF LICENCES ISSUED IN RESPECT OF:-								
"TUBERCULIN TESTED"			"ACCREDITED"			"PASTEURISED"		
BOTT- LING.	DISTRIBUTION.		BOTT- LING.	DISTRIBUTION.		PASTEUR- ISING PLANTS.	RETAIL DISTRIBUTION.	
	DEALERS.	SUPPLE- MENTARY.		DEALERS.	SUPPLE- MENTARY.		DEALERS.	SUPPLE- MENTARY.
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.

DAIRIES OTHER THAN DAIRY FARMS AND DISTRIBUTORS (SEC. 8 MILK AND DAIRIES REGULATIONS 1949.					
NO. ON REGISTER.	NO. OF INSPECTIONS.	NO. OF CONTRAVENTIONS.			OUTSTANDING ON 31ST. DEC. 1949.
		FOUND.	REMEDIED.		
12.	14.	-	-		-

BIOLOGICAL MILK SAMPLES.

NO. OF SAMPLES TAKEN:- NIL.

MILK SAMPLING. (FROM 1ST. OCT. 1949.

NO. OF SAMPLES:- NIL.

LICENSED PASTEURISING PLANTS.

NIL.

ICE CREAM.

NO. OF PREMISES REGISTERED:-

- (A) MANUFACTURE AND RETAIL..... 2.
(B) MANUFACTURE ONLY..... -
(C) RETAIL ONLY..... 20.

NO. OF SAMPLES:- NIL.

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS.

No. OF REGIONAL SLAUGHTER HOUSES IN AREA.....NIL.
 No. OF ANIMALS SLAUGHTERED IN DO.NIL.
 No. OF ANIMALS EXAMINED IN DO.NIL.
 No. OF ANIMALS SLAUGHTERED ELSEWHERE..... 2,929.
 No. OF ANIMALS EXAMINED ELSEWHERE.....223.
 No. OF INSPECTIONS OF MEAT AT TIME OF SLAUGHTER.....157.
 No. OF KNACKER YARDS IN AREA.....NIL.
 No. OF VISITS TO KNACKERS' YARDS.....NIL.

CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED.

	CATTLE EXCLUD- ING COWS.	COWS	CALVES	SHEEP & LAMBS	PIGS	TOTAL WEIGHT IN LBS.
No. KILLED (IF KNOWN.	-	-	-	-	2929.	NOT KNOWN.
No. INSPECTED.	-	-	-	-	223	DO.
<u>ALL DISEASES EXCEPT TUBERCULOSIS.</u>						
WHOLE CARCASSES CONDEMNED.	-	-	-	-	1	280 LBS.
CARCASSES OF WHICH SOME PART OR ORGAN WAS CONDEMNED.	-	-	-	-	2	16 LBS.
PERCENTAGE OF No. INSPECTED AFFECTED WITH DISEASES OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS.	-	-	-	-	1.3	-
<u>TUBERCULOSIS ONLY.</u>						
WHOLE CARCASSES CONDEMNED.	-	-	-	-	-	-
CARCASSES OF WHICH SOME PART OF ORGAN WAS CONDEMNED.	-	-	-	-	13.	132.
PERCENTAGE OF THE No. INSPECTED AFFECTED WITH TUBERCULOSIS.	-	-	-	-	5.8	

MEAT STALLS.

No. OF INSPECTIONS.....NIL.

MEAT SHOPS, MEAT STORES ETC.,

No. OF INSPECTIONS..... 19.

PLACES WHERE FOOD (OTHER THAN MEAT) IS KEPT OR PREPARED FOR SALE.

No. OF INSPECTIONS..... 21.

ACTION TAKEN.

VARIOUS TINNED AND DRIED FOODS INSPECTED AND DESTROYED AS
 UNFIT FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION. TOTAL WEIGHT 2 CWTs. 1 QR. 24 LBS.

14. HOUSING.

A. NEW HOUSES.

TOTAL NO. OF APPLICANTS FOR COUNCIL HOUSES AT END OF YEAR.....920.

OBSERVATIONS. LISTS HAVE BEEN REVISED DURING THE YEAR.

HOUSES COMPLETED DURING YEAR BY:-	TYPE.			AV. COST PER HOUSE.	AV. RENT INC: OR EXCLUSIVE OF RATES.
	PREFABRICATED.	TEMPORARY.	PERMANENT.		
1. LOCAL AUTHORITY.	-	66.	8.	£1,250.	12/6 PER WEEK, EXC:
2. PRIVATE ENTERPRISE.	-	-	42.		£1. PER WEEK EXCLUSIVE.
HOUSES IN COURSE OF ERECTION AT END OF YEAR BY:-					
1. LOCAL AUTHORITY.	-	16.	62.	£1,250.	-
2. PRIVATE ENTERPRISE.	-	-	33.		-

TOTAL NO. OF POSTWAR HOUSES COMPLETED BY:-

(A) LOCAL AUTHORITY..... 412 PLUS 153 HUTS.
(B) PRIVATE ENTERPRISE..... 136.

IN ADDITION, 16 TEMPORARY HUTMENTS PROVIDED DURING THE YEAR.

B. INSPECTION OF DWELLING HOUSES DURING THE YEAR:-

- (1) (A) TOTAL NO. OF DWELLING HOUSES INSPECTED FOR HOUSING DEFECTS (UNDER PUBLIC HEALTH OR HOUSING ACTS).....289.
(B) NUMBER OF INSPECTIONS MADE FOR THE PURPOSE.....304.
- (2) (A) NO. OF DWELLING HOUSES (INCLUDED UNDER SUB-HEAD (1) ABOVE) WHICH WERE INSPECTED AND RECORDED UNDER THE HOUSING CONSOLIDATED REGULATIONS 1925 AND 1932.....NIL.
(B) NO. OF INSPECTIONS MADE FOR THE PURPOSE.....NIL.
- (3) NO. OF DWELLING HOUSES FOUND TO BE IN A STATE SO DANGEROUS OR INJURIOUS TO HEALTH AS TO BE UNFIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION..... 11.
- (4) NO. OF DWELLING HOUSES (EXCLUSIVE OF THOSE REFERRED TO UNDER THE PRECEDING SUB-HEAD) FOUND NOT TO BE IN ALL RESPECTS REASONABLY FIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION.....218.

C. REMEDY OF DEFECTS DURING THE YEAR WITHOUT SERVICE OF FORMAL NOTICES:-

NO. OF DEFECTIVE DWELLING HOUSES RENDERED FIT IN CONSEQUENCE OF INFORMAL ACTION BY THE LOCAL AUTHORITY OR THEIR OFFICERS.....156.

D. ACTION UNDER STATUTORY POWERS DURING THE YEAR:-

- (A) PROCEEDINGS UNDER SECTIONS 9, 10 AND 16 OF THE HOUSING ACT 1936;
(1) NO. OF DWELLING HOUSES IN RESPECT OF WHICH NOTICES WERE SERVED REQUIRING REPAIR.....NIL.
(2) NO. OF DWELLING HOUSES WHICH WERE RENDERED FIT AFTER SERVICE OF FORMAL NOTICES:-NIL.

(B) PROCEEDINGS UNDER PUBLIC HEALTH ACTS:-

- (1) No. of DWELLING HOUSES IN RESPECT OF WHICH NOTICES WERE SERVED REQUIRING DEFECTS TO BE REMEDIED.....5.
- (2) No. of DWELLING HOUSES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE REMEDIED AFTER SERVICE OF FORMAL NOTICES:-
 - (A) BY OWNERS.....3.
 - (B) BY LOCAL AUTHORITY IN DEFAULT OF OWNERS..... NIL.

(C) PROCEEDINGS UNDER SECTIONS 11 AND 13 OF THE HOUSING ACT 1936:-

- (1) No. of DWELLING HOUSES IN RESPECT OF WHICH AN UNDERTAKING WAS GIVEN NOT TO RE-LET AS DWELLINGS.. 11.
- (2) No. of DWELLING HOUSES DEMOLISHED IN PURSUANCE OF DEMOLITION ORDERS.....NIL.

(D) PROCEEDINGS UNDER SECTION 12 OF THE HOUSING ACT 1936:-

- (1) No. of SEPARATE TENEMENTS OR UNDERGROUND ROOMS IN RESPECT OF WHICH CLOSING ORDERS WERE MADE.....NIL.
- (2) No. of SEPARATE TENEMENTS OR UNDERGROUND ROOMS IN RESPECT OF WHICH CLOSING ORDERS WERE DETERMINED, THE TENEMENT OR ROOM HAVING BEEN RENDERED FIT.....NIL.

E. HOUSING ACT 1936 - PART IV - OVERCROWDING.

- (A) (1) No. of DWELLINGS OVERCROWDED AT END OF YEAR...NOT KNOWN.
- (2) No. of FAMILIES DWELLING THEREIN..... -
- (3) No. of PERSONS DWELLING THEREIN..... -
- (B) No. of NEW CASES OF OVERCROWDING REPORTED DURING YEAR.. NOT KNOWN.
- (C) (1) No. of CASES OF OVERCROWDING RELIEVED DURING YEAR...40.
- (2) No. of PERSONS CONCERNED IN SUCH CASES.....196.
- (D) PARTICULARS OF ANY CASES IN WHICH DWELLING HOUSES HAVE AGAIN BECOME OVERCROWDED AFTER THE LOCAL AUTHORITY HAVE TAKEN STEPS FOR THE ABATEMENT OF OVERCROWDING:-
 IN SEVERAL INSTANCES IN PRE-FABRICATED BUNGALOWS, INCREASES IN FAMILIES HAVE MADE IT NECESSARY TO AGAIN RE-HOUSE THE TENANTS.
- (E) OTHER PARTICULARS WITH RESPECT TO GENERAL HOUSING CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH THE SANITARY INSPECTOR MAY CONSIDER IT DESIRABLE TO REPORT:-
 IN SOME PARISHES A LOT OF THE OLDER TYPE OF COTTAGES ARE REACHING THE WORN OUT POINT AND THE ONLY REMEDY IS RE-HOUSING AND DEMOLITION.

F. HOUSING SURVEY.

- (A) TOTAL NO. of OCCUPIED HOUSES IN DISTRICT.....7,448.
- (B) TOTAL NO. of COUNCIL HOUSES OCCUPIED IN DISTRICT..... 824.
- TEMPORARY HUTMENTS..... 153.

15. OTHER SANITARY CONDITIONS REQUIRING NOTICE.

THE SCHEME COMMENCED IN JULY 1948 FOR THE CONVERSION OF PAN CLOSETS TO WATER CARRIAGE SYSTEM HAD CONTINUED THROUGHOUT THE YEAR AND DURING 1949, 681 CONVERSIONS HAVE BEEN COMPLETED. 427 INITIAL VISITS TO HOUSES WERE MADE WITH 1,834 REVISITS, AND THE DRAINAGE WORK INVOLVED 904 INSPECTIONS AND RE-INSPECTIONS.

THESE CONVERSIONS ARE BEING CARRIED OUT IN THE PARISHES OF IBSTOCK, GROBY, RATBY, MARKFIELD, STANTON, BARLESTONE AND DESFORD. IN CONNECTION WITH THE COLLECTION OF NIGHTSOIL A SURVEY HAS BEEN MADE OF THE WHOLE AREA INVOLVING 2,230 VISITS TO HOUSES.

16. STAFF.

No. OF STAFF.	(A) QUALIFIED.....	4.
	(B) UNQUALIFIED.....	1.
	(C) CLERICAL.....	2.

STAFF INCREASE OR DECREASE DURING YEAR:-

NO INCREASE, THE ABOVE FIGURES INCLUDE 1 QUALIFIED, 1 UNQUALIFIED AND 1 CLERICAL ENGAGED IN THE PROVISION OF NEW HOUSING. PRESENT STAFF IS CONSIDERED ADEQUATE FOR PROPER PERFORMANCE OF ALL DUTIES.

17. FACTORY ACT 1937 AND 1948.

INSPECTIONS.

No. ON REGISTER.....	40.	No. OF INSPECTIONS.....	45.
		No. OF NOTICES.....	9.

DEFECTS FOUND:-

WANT OF CLEANLINESS....	4.	REMEDIED.....	4.
REFERRED BY H.M.I.....	1.		
SANITARY CONVENIENCE DEFECTIVE...	5.	REMEDIED....	4.
NOT SEPARATE FOR SEXES.....	3.	REMEDIED....	3.

OUTWORK.

No. OF OUTWORKERS IN AUGUST:-

HOSIERY.....	242.	TEXTILES.....	8.
GLOVES.....	14.	CORSETS.....	2.
SHOES.....	17.	UNDERWEAR.....	2.
BRACES.....	1.	MISCELLANEOUS.....	2.
TOY PLASTIC.....	10.		

THERE WERE NO PROSECUTIONS OR NOTICES SERVED.

IT IS CLEAR FROM THE ABOVE STATEMENT WITH REGARD TO THE SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DISTRICT, THAT SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE DURING THE PAST YEAR IN THE FOUR FOLLOWING RESPECTS:-

1. HOUSING.

IN 1949, 116 NEW HOUSES WERE COMPLETED AND 111 OTHERS WERE IN THE COURSE OF ERECTION.

2. WATER.

THE VILLAGES OF BARLESTONE, NAILSTONE, NEWBOLD VERDON AND OSBASTONE HAVE NOW A SUPPLY OF PIPED WATER. THE WATER SCHEME FOR CARLTON HAS BEEN COMPLETED.

3. SEWERS.

AT HIGHAM ON THE HILL, AND AT NEWBOLD VERDON THE PIPE LINES ARE COMPLETED AND THE SEWAGE WORKS ARE UNDER CONSTRUCTION. PROPOSALS FOR SEWERAGE HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED TO THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH FOR THE FOLLOWING VILLAGES, THORNTON, TWYXCROSS, NAILSTONE, BATTRAM AND ELLISTOWN AND PART OF MARKFIELD.

4. CONVERSION OF PAIL CLOSETS.

IN MY LAST ANNUAL REPORT, I RECORDED THAT 580 PAIL CLOSETS HAD BEEN CONVERTED TO THE WATER CARRIAGE SYSTEM IN 1948. IT IS GRATIFYING TO BE ABLE TO REPORT THAT IN 1949, THERE HAVE BEEN 681 CONVERSIONS. THE INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF WATER CLOSETS INEVITABLY MEANS A BIGGER STRAIN ON THE SEWAGE PURIFICATION PLANTS. CONSEQUENTLY SEVERAL OF THE SEWAGE WORKS ARE OVERLOADED. CONSIDERATION HAS BEEN GIVEN TO THE ENLARGEMENT OF THE PLANTS AT GROBY, RATBY AND DESFORD AND THESE PROPOSALS ARE NOW IN THE HANDS OF THE ENGINEERS.

PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

DURING THE YEAR 1949, 369 CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE WERE NOTIFIED AS COMPARED WITH 597 CASES IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR. THIS DECREASE IN NOTIFICATIONS WAS DUE TO LESS CASES OF MEASLES AND WHOOPING COUGH. IN 1948 THERE WERE 329 CASES OF MEASLES AS COMPARED WITH 176 CASES IN 1949. THERE WERE ALSO 103 CASES OF WHOOPING COUGH AS COMPARED WITH 180 CASES IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

THE NUMBER OF CASES OF SCARLET FEVER WAS ALMOST THE SAME IN THE LAST THREE YEARS. THERE WERE NO CASES OF DIPHTHERIA OR CEREBRO SPINAL MENINGITIS BUT THERE WERE 11 CASES OF POLIOMYELITIS WITH ONE DEATH.

THE FOLLOWING CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE WERE NOTIFIED DURING THE YEAR:-

DISEASE.	TOTAL CASES NOTIFIED.	CASES ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL.	TOTAL DEATHS.
DIPHTHERIA.	0	0	0
SCARLET FEVER.	52.	30.	0
PNEUMONIA.	16.	1.	3.
ERYSIPELAS.	8.	2.	0.
PUERPERAL PYREXIA.	2.	2.	0.
POLIOMYELITIS.	11.	8.	1.
MEASLES.	176.	2.	0.
WHOOPING COUGH.	103.	2.	0.
DYSENTERY.	1.	0..	0.

IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE, THE FOLLOWING CASES OF TUBERCULOSIS WERE NOTIFIED DURING THE YEAR:-

AGE PERIODS.	NEW CASES.				DEATHS.			
	RESPIRATORY.		NON-RESPIRATORY.		RESPIRATORY.		NON-RESPIRATORY.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
1 AND UNDER 5 YEARS.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 AND UNDER 15 YEARS.	-	2.	1.	4.	-	-	-	-
15 AND UNDER 45 YEARS.	4.	5.	1.	-	3.	5.	-	-
45 AND UNDER 65 YEARS.	5.	1.	1.	1.	2.	1.	1.	-
OVER 65 YEARS.	-	1.	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS.	9.	9.	3.	5.	5.	6.	1.	-

NO ACTION WAS TAKEN UNDER THE PUBLIC HEALTH (PREVENTION OF TUBERCULOSIS) REGULATIONS 1925, NOR WAS ANY ACTION NECESSARY UNDER SECTION 62 OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH ACT 1925.

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION.

THE YEAR 1949 WAS THE FIRST COMPLETE YEAR IN WHICH DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION WAS CONDUCTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL FOR THIS AREA. I AM INDEBTED TO THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR THE COUNTY FOR THE TABLE RECORDED BELOW. IT WILL BE SEEN FROM THIS TABLE THAT PARENTS HAVE RESPONDED WELL TO THE INVITATION TO BRING THEIR CHILDREN TO BE IMMUNISED. THE RECORD APPEARS TO ME VERY SATISFACTORY AND I THINK ALL CONCERNED ARE TO BE CONGRATULATED ON A SUCCESSFUL YEAR'S WORK.

NUMBER OF CHILDREN WHO WERE IMMUNISED DURING THE PERIOD 1ST. JANUARY - 31ST. DECEMBER 1949.

AGE AT 31/12/49. I.E. BORN IN YEAR.	UNDER 1.	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.	11.	12.	13.	14.
PRIMARY IMMUNISATION.	31.	341.	64.	19.	12.	12.	5.	2.	2.	1.	5.	16.	26.	123.	9.
BOOSTER DOSE.					14.	158.	28.	16.	3.	3.	3.	5.	3.	2.	-

LABORATORY WORK.

THE FOLLOWING SPECIMENS WERE EXAMINED AT THE PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY. I AM INDEBTED TO THE DIRECTOR, DR. GILLESPIE, FOR THE FOLLOWING TABLE:-

<u>NATURE OF SPECIMEN.</u>	<u>NO. EXAMINED.</u>
THROAT AND NOSE SWABS.	38.
SPUTA.	10.
FAECES & URINE.	12.
MILK.	2.
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TOTAL.	62.
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IN ADDITION TO THESE, A NUMBER OF SPECIMENS FROM BOSWORTH PARK INFIRMARY AND MARKFIELD SANATORIUM HAVE BEEN EXAMINED, BOTH OF THESE INSTITUTIONS BEING IN THE MARKET BOSWORTH RURAL DISTRICT.

I HAVE THE HONOUR TO BE

YOUR OBEDIENT SERVANT,

ALLAN WARNER. M.D., D.P.H.

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

THE COTTAGE,
DESFORD.
LEICESTER.

JULY 1950.

